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July 15, 2021

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn Boyd  
Chief Clerk / Executive Director  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Smart \$aver Solar  
as Energy Efficiency Program

Docket No. 2021-144-E

AFFIDAVITS OF NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION AND CERTIFICATION OF BILL  
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Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to the Commission's letter dated May 7, 2021, on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") please find attached the following:

- Affidavits of Publication of the Notice of Filing published in the newspapers of general circulation in DEC's service territory;
- Affidavit that the Notice of Filing was furnished to DEC's affected customers by U.S. mail on or before July 8, 2021; and
- Certification that the Notice of Filing was furnished those DEC affected customers who have elected to receive their bills electronically by electronic mail on or before July 8, 2021.

Kind regards,

Sam Wellborn

cc: Parties of Record (via email)  
Heather Shirley Smith, Deputy General Counsel (via email)

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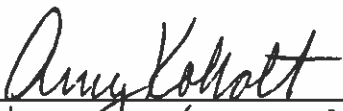
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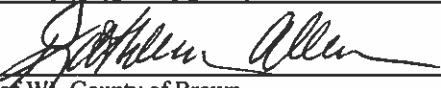
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The Herald-Journal, a newspaper printed and published in the city of Gastonia, and of general circulation in the County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina, and personal knowledge of the facts herein state and that the notice hereto annexed was Published in said newspapers in the issue:

06/21/2021

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### County of York

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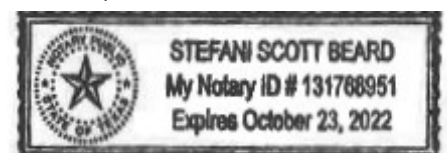
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21th day of June in the year of 2021

*Stefani Beard*

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PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, Thyais Massey, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is a Senior Revenue Analyst for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; that under her direction and supervision, the Notice of Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines (the "Notice") attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein has been furnished by U.S. mail via bill insert to all applicable customers of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC. The Notice was furnished between the dates of June 1, 2021 to June 29, 2021.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

*Thyais Massey*  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this the 12 day of July, 2021.

*Jenny Pattana*  
Notary Public for North Carolina  
My Commission Expires: 06/08/2025





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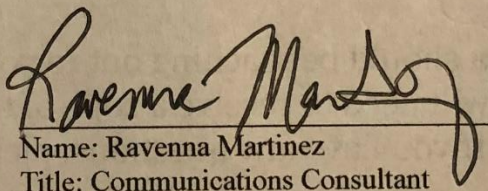
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**CERTIFICATION**

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I am aware that if the foregoing statement made by me is willfully false, I am subject to punishment by contempt.

  
Name: Ravenna Martinez  
Title: Communications Consultant

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# EXHIBIT A

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A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission located at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested Parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested Parties at a later date.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and ***Docket No. 2021-144-E.***

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